MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether Government are aware of the hopeless condition of tanks improved by the Minor Irrigation Department?

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: I disallow the question.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether the Government are aware that the improvement of tanks by the Minor Irrigation Department is useless?

MR. L. H. JACOB (*Ag. Chief Engineer*): I claim notice.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether there was any complaint to Government about the improvement of works for minor irrigation?

MR. L. H. JACOB (*Ag. Chief Engineer*): There was a complaint and the matter has been referred to the Executive Engineer.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether the Chief Engineer inspected the tank concerned upon that complaint?

MR. L. H. JACOB (*Ag. Chief Engineer*): I claim notice.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Rural*): May I know whether a list has been prepared of the works that are to be attended to from this year in the matter of minor irrigation. I heard the Chief Engineer to say that, out of the funds allotted for the Trivandrum East Sub-Division, certain amounts were spent.

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: What the official member said is not to be forgotten so soon.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Rural*): I just want to know whether what I thought was what he said. I little suggested that he does not remember what he said. I wish to know whether the Chief Engineer has prepared a list of the works that are to be taken up for improvement from this year in the Trivandrum East Sub-Division?

MR. L. H. JACOB (*Ag. Chief Engineer*): No list has been prepared; but an amount to the extent of Rs. 7,000 has been allotted, out of which a portion may be diverted for improvements in that taluk.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Rural*): May I know, is it not the practice, that as soon as the Budget is passed, the amount for each work is ascertained so that a list can be prepared according to funds available, and the works proceeded with?

MR. L. H. JACOB (*Ag. Chief Engineer*): That is for the Executive Engineers to do.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Rural*): Am I to take it that the Chief Engineer is not aware of that?

MR. L. H. JACOB (*Ag. Chief Engineer*): Yes.

List of Minor Irrigation Works in Nedumangad taluk.

50. **MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to furnish a list of the *chiras* and tanks improved in Nedumangad taluk under minor irrigation since six years?

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MR. L. H. JACOB (*Ag. Chief Engineer*): Kulavikonathuchira in Nedumangad *pakuthi* and Parandottukonathukulam in Kulathumel *pakuthi*.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know why the list of *chiras* and tanks in the Nedumangad taluk has not been placed on the table?

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: I have been often pointing out that statements are not necessary.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether the *chiras* mentioned are useful for irrigation purposes now?

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: That does not arise when we take into account the main question and the answer thereto.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether the Chief Engineer has inspected the Kulavikonathuchira?

MR. L. H. JACOB (*Ag. Chief Engineer*): That is for the Executive Engineer to do.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether he has inspected it?

MR. L. H. JACOB (*Ag. Chief Engineer*): I claim notice.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the member whether any additional *chiras* and tanks are to be improved this year in the Nedumangad taluk?

MR. L. H. JACOB (*Ag. Chief Engineer*): According to necessity, work will have to be done.

Vishavaidyasala at Pirappencode.

51. ***MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware of the existence of Gopala Vilasam *Vishaviadyasala* at Pirappancode;

(*b*) whether it has not been in existence for the last so many years;

(*c*) why no grant is sanctioned for the *Vishavaidyan* of the above *Vaidyasala*; and

(*d*) whether there was repeated and continuous request for the sanctioning of grant to the *Vishavaidyan* there?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) If the member means the *Vishavaidyasala* at Vilavoor near Pirappancode, the answer is in the affirmative.

(*b*) The *Vaidyasala* referred to in (*a*) was in existence for the past 5 years *i. e.*, from 1104 M. E.

(*c*) The question of awarding a grant-in-aid can be considered only when funds are available for the purpose.

(*d*) There were some petitions from the *Vishavaidyan*.

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